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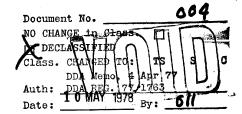
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Part of the 14th Infartry Regiment of Colonel Rogelio Benitez is engaged in guarding the Paragazyan coast along the river from Banado in the Sajonia district sout! to Ita Enramada. The main reason for this guard, which is the heaviest that has been placed along this area since the 1947 revolution, is to present the infiltration of Communist and Febrerista elements from the Clorinda, Argentina arma. These elements were aware of the Military School's clans for revolt or 25 October 1948, and there were indications that some if them would have prossed the river and entered

Asuncion if the revolt had lasted longer and shown promise of success. The fear of Argentine aggression allegedly played no part in the stationing of this guard. The Aspacion police believed the Argentine gendarmerie conducted themselves very well during the 25 October revolt. When the fighting began in Asuncion the gerdarmerie in Clorinda issued an order that no person should leave his house. The purpose of the order was to prevent anyone from crossing the river and entering Asuncion.

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